

**Idaho Emergency Operations Center  
Situation Report  
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**REPORTING DATE/TIME: 06/28/2011 1000 hours**

**IDEOC STATUS: IDEOC Phase 1**

**ACTIVATION PHASE:** IDEOC at Activity Level 1 since 5/24/2011; Situational monitoring with staff maintaining normal duties.

**HOURS OF OPERATION: 0800–1630 Monday - Friday**

*If you have a question or need assistance from the IDEOC outside of these hours please contact the Joint Operations Center at 208-272-5755 or the Idaho State Communications Center at 208-846-7610. If you have a specific person you need to speak with please mention this in the request, otherwise you will be connected with the current IDEOC Manager.*

**1. WEATHER:**

Warm temperatures in the 80s and 90s expected for the week throughout the state. Chance of thunderstorms and rain throughout the state Wednesday and Thursday with temperatures dropping into the 70s on Thursday and then climbing back into the 80s over the weekend.

The flood warning continues for Lake Pend Oreille at hope affecting Bonner County. Pend Oreille River below Albeni Falls affecting Bonner and Pend Oreille counties...the spring mountain snowmelt continues across the inland Northwest. Area rivers and lakes will continue to run high for the next few weeks.

The flood warning continues for the Henrys Fork near Rexburg affecting Fremont and Madison Counties. The Teton River near St. Anthony is affecting Fremont and Madison Counties; minor flooding is occurring with moderate flooding forecast. Warm temperatures the past several days have caused increased melting of the high elevation snowpack. As a result flows on the Henrys Fork near Rexburg and the Teton River near St Anthony remain high with moderate levels of flooding. Some downward trend is expected for the Henrys Fork near Rexburg the next couple of days.

**Web Sources:**

National Weather Service Forecast

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov>

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/boi/forecast.php>

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/pih/>

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/otx/>

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/mso/>

NRCS Daily Guidance Streamflow Forecasts:

[http://www.id.nrcs.usda.gov/snow/watersupply/daily\\_guidance.html](http://www.id.nrcs.usda.gov/snow/watersupply/daily_guidance.html)

**2. SITUATION:**

**A. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS:**

- A1.** Higher than normal snow pack levels and wet Spring weather has created flooding threats. IDEOC has been activated to level 1.
- A2.** Governor Otter signed a state-wide declaration on 5/27/11 for spring runoff for Bingham and Jefferson Counties, and added Madison County on 6/2/2011.

**B. STATE PRIORITIES:**

- B1.** Continue monitoring situation, looking towards major weather changes and increases in flood activities.
- B2.** Provide statewide Situational Awareness regarding ID-03-2011, Spring Runoff.
- B3.** Provide assistance to counties as requested enabling execution of emergency work.

**C. DESCRIPTION OF IMMINENT HAZARDS:** Statewide There is a continued threat to levees, roads, homes and infrastructure throughout the state from high water, flash flooding and erosion.

**D. OTHER MAJOR PROBLEMS:** A sudden warming event this week may create a significant increase in flooding impact state-wide, especially eastern Idaho.

**E. ESTIMATED DURATION:** 10-15 days

**F. STATISTICS:**

<b>INJURED:</b> 0	<b>MISSING:</b> 0	<b>CONFIRMED DEAD:</b> 0
<b>SHELTERING:</b>	<b>Shelters Open:</b> 0	<b>Sheltered Occupants:</b> 0

**3. SEVERITY OF IMPACT ON LOCAL JURISDICTION:**  
**(Impact on Individuals/Businesses/Critical Infrastructure)**

**Public Infrastructure Affected:**

- Hydrological infrastructure under stress in all locally declared counties.

**Businesses Affected:**

- None at this time.

**Individuals Affected:**

- Minidoka County: Residences along the Snake River experienced flooding of yards and docks.

**BHS Regional Area:**

**North:**

**Bonner** – Lake Pend Orielle is a 2063.72' and is forecasted to remain at or near flood stage 2063.5' thru the week. No significant impacts at this level

**Boundary** – The Kootenai River at Bonners Ferry is at 1758.53' and is forecasted to drop below action stage (1757') later in the week.

No issue with other waterways in the region.

**North Central:**

No significant events reported.

**Southwest:**

No imminent threat areas are anticipated at this point in time.

**Central:**

**Minidoka** – Higher than normal flows on the Snake River are expected to continue possibly for the next two weeks as dam operators continue to manage flows in efforts to accommodate expected remaining runoff.

**Southeast:**

**Bannock** – Portneuf River has dropped significantly below flood stage and conditions are slowly returning to normal. Ponding water still exists in some low lying agricultural and open space areas but no significant impacts reported. No current issues.

**Bear Lake** – Continuing to monitor the Bear River above Stewart Dam, and the diversion channel from Stewart dam to the Bear Lake. Currently no problems reported but high flows in the rarely used diversion may cause erosion problems. Officials are monitoring. No other issues reported in Bear Lake. Operators of Montpelier reservoir appear to have been successful in managing outflows relative to changing inflows. No longer flooding on Montpelier Creek and outlook indicates threat there is over for the year.

**Bingham** – Snake River has been down significantly but currently on the rise again; projected to rise to or near flood stage again at Blackfoot and just below action stage at Shelley. County is monitoring in anticipation of returning high water to potentially damage already weakened levees. Ponding water continues in low agricultural areas. Currently no significant impacts reported. Threats to most areas have diminished due to lower river levels over the past week.

**Northeast:**

The threat of catastrophic flooding seems to have passed after more than a month of very high flows.

**Teton** – Experiencing small stream flooding. Trail Creek and Fox Creek damaged culverts and roads over the weekend. Badger Creek Road is still closed.

The Teton and Henry's are expected to continue to run high for some time, but without damaging flooding.

The Salmon is running high and is expected to stay high for some time also, no problem areas identified.

**4. STATUS OF DECLARATIONS:**

**Local:** Bingham, Bonner, Boundary, Fremont, Idaho, Jefferson, Madison, Minidoka, Teton

**State:** State-Wide (Bingham, Jefferson, Madison specified)

**Federal:** NA

**5. STATUS OF STATE OPERATIONS:**

**ID-ESF #1**, Transportation: Coordinating infrastructure responsibilities.

**ID-ESF #5**, Emergency Management: Idaho Emergency Operations Center (IDEOC) activated, increased monitoring and communication between the state and local government is occurring, the Incident Action Planning (IAP) has been initiated, situational reports (SITREP) are being generated, and an operational period has been designated in direct support of flooding and mudslides throughout Idaho. BHS is assisting in coordination with the COE with assessments and technical assistance. BHS continues to monitor sandbag availability state-wide and is providing additional sandbags for potential floodfight operations in local jurisdictions. BHS continues to provide resources as requested to jurisdictions on the State Declaration.

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